

## A/3C James (Jim) W. Clark 21<sup>st</sup> Fighter Bomber Wing Nov. 1954 to Nov. 1957

James (Jim) W. Clark was Born on November 18th 1930 and raised in West Virginia USA. He served with The 21st Fighter Bomber Wing at Toul-Rosières Air Base and Chambley Air Base in France during the 1950's.

Airman Clark was first assigned to the United Kingdom around the Northampton area and was stationed at Royal Air Force Base (RAF) Alconbury and RAF Chelveston in Cambridgeshire. During that time he met and married my Mother Valerie Nee Hill of Corby Northampton and they had five Children consisting his only son James "Junior" and 4 Daughters.

According to his daughter Lynn Clark they lived in place called "

Toulaire Liverdun, Lorraine, France" which was a kind of newish white walled/red tiled roofed house that seemed to have been built as to accommodate the US military personnel who were serving in that area of France. Near the house was an inclined road that lead off the estate and up towards a row of shops consisting of a Delicatessen, a Launderette/Dry Cleaners and maybe one or two other outlets that sat close to a bus stop alongside a main road.



Airman Clark returned to the States departing from RAF Lakenheath Air-force base in 1965. After being Honorably Discharged from the United States Air-force at McCord AFB on 10th May 1969 he moved across to Tacoma Washington State where he re-married and settled down working as a Machinist at the Boeing Aircraft Company in Seattle. He also had his own Trailer repair company on Bridgeport Way in Tacoma where he could be found at weekends and most of his spare time.

Sergeant James (Jim) W. Clark passed away in Tacoma General Hospital on the 4th September 1982 at age 51 years due to secondary throat Cancer and was cremated on the 6th September 1982 at Brookside Crematorium which is better known today as The New Tacoma Cemeteries where his Casket and ashes still rest within a Niche today.